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1. IN ADDITION TO GUIDANCE PROVIDED REFTEL B PRIOR TO  
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MEETING OF EC NINE POLITICAL COMMITTEE, WE HAVE THE

FOLLOWING FURTHER COMMENTS ON WHICH YOU MAY DRAW IN RESPONDING TO QUESTIONS RAISED BY FRG CSCE DEL OFFICIAL IN REFTTEL A.

2. CHARACTER OF FINAL DOCUMENT. WHILE WE HAVE NOT YET MADE FINAL DECISION, OUR CURRENT VIEW IS THAT WE COULD PROBABLY AGREE EITHER TO SIGNATURE OF A FINAL ACT, AS A COVER DOCUMENT FOR ALL CSCE AGREEMENTS, OR TO SIGNATURE AT THE END OF ALL CSCE DOCUMENTS.

3. PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES. YOU SHOULD INDICATE TO GERMAN REP ONLY THAT WE ARE "STILL STUDYING" NEW SWISS PROPOSAL.

4. RE MFN (PARA 5, REFTTEL A), DRAFT RESOLUTION TABLED IN JANUARY BY EC AND AGREED TO BY OTHER NATO COUNTRIES,

INCLUDING US, ALREADY MENTIONS DESIRABILITY OF APPLICATION OF MFN ON FULLY RECIPROCAL BASIS AND IMPLIES WILLINGNESS TO NEGOTIATE IN FUTURE ON THIS QUESTION. EASTERN COUNTRIES HAVE OBJECTED TO VAGUENESS OF LANGUAGE AND ABSENCE OF SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO WESTERN EUROPEAN QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS. A MORE FORTHCOMING EC LINE ON MFN, INCLUDING REDUCTION OF QRS, WOULD PROBABLY ASSIST IN RESOLVING OTHER ISSUES IN ECONOMIC BASKET, SUCH AS BUSINESS INFORMATION AND CONTACTS. US WOULD SUPPORT MOVE IN THIS DIRECTION, BUT WOULD OF COURSE HAVE TO REVIEW ANY NEW LANGUAGE CAREFULLY IN LIGHT OF LEGISLATIVE SITUATION.

5. POST-CONFERENCE FOLLOW-ON. REPORTED EC NINE CONCERN ABOUT LDC INTERFERENCE WITH ECE FUNDING OF ANY CSCE FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES IS NOT FULLY JUSTIFIED IN THAT FUNDING CAN BE ARRANGED THROUGH TRUST FUND FOR SPECIFIC ECE ACTIVITIES AND BY SUBSTITUTING CERTAIN CSCE RECOMMENDED PROJECTS FOR EXISTING LOWER PRIORITY ECE ACTIVITIES. IN ANY EVENT, WE PREFER ECE SPONSORSHIP TO NEW CSCE FOLLOW-ON INSTITUTIONS OR ALTERNATIVE SPONSORSHIP BY UNESCO EUROPEAN REGIONAL GROUP OR OTHER EXCLUSIVELY EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS. THIS HAS BEEN CONVEYED ALREADY TO FRG DELEGATION IN GENEVA.

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6. S AND T FOLLOW-UP. USG WOULD CERTAINLY SUPPORT AT CSCE AN FRG PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A SCIENCE FORUM IN BERLIN, ALTHOUGH WE ARE NOT ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE INSTITUTION AS PROPOSED IN ITS EARLIER FORM. AS WE HAVE INDICATED TO FRG DELEGATION IN GENEVA, WE CAN ENVISAGE CERTAIN TYPES OF SCIENTIFIC (BUT NOT TECHNOLOGICAL) ACTIVITIES IN BASKET 3, SUCH AS EXCHANGES OF SCIENTISTS.

MOREOVER, THERE IS GENERAL AGREEMENT THAT PROJECTS IN THE SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES SHOULD BE DEALT WITH SPECIFICALLY IN BASKET 3. ALONG WITH FRG, UK, FRANCE AND ITALY, WE ARE COSPONSORING A COMPREHENSIVE S AND T PROPOSAL IN SUBCOMMITTEE 5 OF BASKET 2; AND THIS IS WHERE COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES OUTLINED IN THIS WESTERN PROPOSAL BELONG. MUCH OF IT IS ALREADY PROVISIONALLY REGISTERED TEXT. THE SCIENCE PROPOSALS IN THE CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL SUBCOMMITTEES OF BASKET 3 ARE LARGELY FRENCH SPONSORED AND ARE STRONGLY EUROPE-ORIENTED, SOME OF THE REGISTERED TEXTS BEING "BRACKETED" BECAUSE OF US-FRENCH DISAGREEMENT ON THIS EUROPEAN EMPHASIS. BEGIN FYI. US INTEREST IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IS BASED ON ASSUMPTION THAT FOLLOW-ON WILL CLEARLY PROVIDE FOR US-CANADIAN PARTICIPATION AND NOT BE POSITED ON FRENCH LINKAGE OF SCIENCE TO EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN LARGELY EUROPEAN

CONTEXT--AS EVIDENCED IN FRENCH TEXTS IN EDUCATION AND CULTURE SUBCOMMITTEES, AND IN THEIR FAVORING OF UNESCO AS PRIMARY VEHICLE FOR FOLLOW-ON ACTIVITIES. END FYI.

7. FOLLOW-UP--PROBATIONARY PERIOD. YOU SHOULD ASK FRG REP TO EXPLAIN IN MORE DETAIL WHAT "INTERMEDIARY STEP" EC MIGHT ENVISAGE PRIOR TO CONCLUSION OF PROPOSED THREE-FOUR YEAR PROBATIONARY PERIOD. IT WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL TO OBTAIN MORE PRECISE FRG READING AS TO WHETHER NINE WILL CONTINUE TO OPPOSE YUGOSLAV PROPOSAL FOR "CONTINUING COMMITTEE," PENDING REVIEW AT END OF PROBATIONARY PERIOD, OR WHETHER IT COULD ACCEPT THIS PROPOSAL AS A FALL BACK POSITION TOWARD END OF STAGE II NEGOTIATIONS. KISSINGER

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